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PARTY Ambassador Bunker at his request 0930 17 February 1968

SUBJECT: Message from Walt Rostow, White House

Short message requesting if all concerned with the expected attacks were forewarned and alert. General W stated had talked with General Wheeler last night about the subject.

General W stated that he and his staff had studied the situation and there were many indications that there would be a second wave, country-wide attack between the 18-23 February. Main attacks or efforts would be Saigon, Can Tho, Quang Tri and Hue.

Amb B: Didn't we have indications of a second attack befor e on the 14th of Feb? Gen W: Yes, but that was just a local attack in the Saigon area. You know Hanoi has been saying they would use a new weapon that would be spectacular some time in the near future. I think this is the time for them to use the "~~Frog~~ "Frog" missle.

Amb B: I assume everyone, ARVN and US, are ready? Gen W: Yessir, in fact, leaving momentarly to go up to Chu Lai with some of my staff to discuss this subject.

Gen W: Cyrus Vance not coming now. He is back in thestates already, however, General Wheeler may be coming out.

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